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SUBJECT: TENNECO SIX

REF: ATHENS 3400

1. TENNECO'S PESSIMISM REGARDING ERITREA IS UNDERSTANDABLE AND IT WOULD APPEAR SENSIBLE FOR TENNECO TO PUT ON ICE FOR TIME BEING ITS PLANS TO EXPLOIT COPPER IN ERITREA.

2. TO BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE TENNECO HAS NOT HAD UNACCEPTABLE SECURITY PROBLEMS IN OGADEN. IEG IS MOST ANXIOUS TO ENCOURAGE TENNECO OPERATIONS IN OGADEN AND WOULD PROBABLY BE WILLING INCREASE PRESENT MILITARY PROTECTION FOR TENNECO WORK PARTIES IF TENNECO CONSIDERS THAT ESSENTIAL. SITUATIONS IN OGADEN AND ERITREA ARE VERY DIFFERENT AND WE AWARE NO REASON WHY TENNECO OPERATIONS IN OGADEN CANNOT PROCEED IF TENNECO STILL CONSIDERS THEM COMMERCIALY PROMISING.

3. AS FOR OVERALL POLITICAL OUTLOOK, NEITHER DEATH OF EMPEROR OR FALL OF PRESENT CABINET WOULD LIKELY PRODUCE GOVERNMENT HOSTILE TO TENNECO AND USG.

4. I SHOULD THINK IT WOULD BE PRUDENT FOR TENNECO TO AT LEAST AWAIT OUTCOME OF PRESENT NEGOTIATIONS IN KHARTOUM BEFORE TAKING MAJOR DECISIONS.

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